



Federal Communications Commission  
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Washington, D.C. 20554

# REGULATORY FEES FACT SHEET

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## WAIVERS, REDUCTIONS AND DEFERMENTS OF REGULATORY FEES

Licensees are solely responsible for accurately accounting for all licenses and for paying proper regulatory fees. Any data omission, erroneous or incomplete data submission, or payment deficiency may result in a 25% late payment penalty, dismissal of pending actions, and/or revocation of any authorization. The Commission will invoke any lawful authority possessed under the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 to collect fees due or outstanding against licensees failing to meet their regulatory fee payment obligations.

The Commission will consider requests for waivers, reductions or deferments of regulatory fees, in extraordinary and compelling circumstances only, upon a showing that such action overrides the public interest in reimbursing the Commission for its regulatory costs. Your fee must be paid by the due date by any one of the methods described in the *Payment Methods Fact Sheet* even if you request a waiver or reduction, so as to avoid a 25% late-payment penalty if your request is denied. Submitted fees will be returned if your request is granted. Submit your regulatory fee payment by any one of the methods described in the *Payment Methods Fact Sheet*, and send your request for waiver or reduction to this address:

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Managing Director  
445 12th Street, S.W., Room 1-A625  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
Attn: Regulatory Fee Waiver/Reduction Request

Requests for waivers or reductions that do not include the required fees or forms will be dismissed unless accompanied by a petition to defer payment due to financial hardship, supported by documentation of the financial hardship. All petitions for deferments must be received by September 24, 2003 to avoid the 25% late-payment penalty.